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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Office Action dated May 26, 1999, please extend the period of time for response three months, to expire on November 26, 1999. Enclosed are a Petition for an Extension of Time and the requisite fee.